## Claims

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is as follows:

1. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation, comprising:

- a) a polyurethane dispersion;
- b) fire retardant components having at least
  - a) ammonium polyphosphate,
  - b) melamine, and
  - c) a char former;
- c) solvents including water;
- d) filler, pigment and grinding aids; and
- e) surfactants.
- 2. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the fire retardant components further comprises a flame poisoner.
- 3. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the char former is a pentaeryritol.
- 4. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the char former is a polysaccharide.
- 5. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the polyurethane is selected from the group consisting of a polyurethane polyether, a polyurethane polyester and mixtures thereof.



- 6. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the polyurethane is selected from the group consisting of an aliphatic polyurethane, an aromatic polyurethane and mixtures thereof.
- 7. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the polyurethane dispersion is 18-30% by weight.
- 8. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the fire retardant components of part (b) are 39-61% by weight.
- 9. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the solvents of part (c) are 9-25% by weight.
- 10. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises by weight:

| <u>Component</u>                   | <pre>% Range</pre> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| PR-240 main dispersion             | 18-30              |
| Water                              | 5-15               |
| 2-Propanol                         | 3-6                |
| N-Methyl-2-Pyrrolidone             | 1-4                |
| CT-131 dispersing agent            | 0.5-1.5            |
| Lorama ECO R1 polysaccharide resin | 4-9                |
| <i>,</i>                           |                    |

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resin

Melamine 7-13

FR Cros 484 Ammonium polyphosphate 25-35

Pentaerythritol 7-13

5099 black iron oxide 0.5-1.5

Dow Corning Antifoam "A" 0.01-1.00

Surfynol 465 surfactant 0.1-1.0

4% aqueous dispersion of Rheox Bentone A. D. 2-6

4% aqueous dispersion of Rheox
Bentone A. D. 2

11. A fire resistant carpet backing

11. A fire resistant carpet backing formulation according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises by weight:

| 1  | PR-240 main dispersion             | 22.00 |  |
|--|------------------------------------|-------|--|
| 6  | Lorama ECO R1                      | 7.00  |  |
|  |                                    |       |  |
| fire retardant components //                         |                                    |       |  |
| 7  | Melamine // /                      | 10.00 |  |
| 8  | FR Cros 484 Ammonium polyphosphate | 30.00 |  |
| 9  | Pentaerythritol (char former)      | 10.00 |  |
|  |                                    |       |  |
| solvents for permitting flow of the composition      |                                    |       |  |
| 2  | Water                              | 8.75  |  |
| 3  | 2-Propanol /                       | 4.00  |  |
| 4  | N-Methyl-2-Py/rrolidone            | 1.70  |  |
|  | - 7                                |       |  |
| surfactants for the composition                      |                                    |       |  |
| 11   | Dow Corning Antifoam "A"           | 0.05  |  |
| 12   | Surfynol 465 surfactant            | 0.50  |  |
|  | · /                                |       |  |
| fillers, pigments and anti-settling and grinding aid |                                    |       |  |
| 5  | CT-131 dispersing agent            | 1.00  |  |
| 10   | 5099 black iron oxide              | 1.00  |  |
| 13   | 4% aqueous dispersion of Rheox     | 4.00  |  |
|  | - /                                |       |  |

12. A fire retardant nylon carpet having a backing component made from the fire resistant carpet backing formulation of claim 1.

- 13. A fire retardant nylon carpet having a backing component made from the fire resistant carpet backing formulation of claim 10.
- 14. A fire retardant nylon carpet having a backing component made from the fire resistant carpet backing formulation of claim jr.

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A fire retardant nylon carpet, comprising: a nylon carpet and backing thereon that meets the Airbus ATS 1000.001/ABD 0031 issue 5 smoke emission and toxic gas